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## **RESPONSE**

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

## Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of the claims in the application:

Claims 1-46 (Canceled)

- 1 47. (Previously presented) A method of creating a data storage pool, comprising:
- providing information for a plurality of storage resources in response to a user query;